

HISTORY OF MARK ORGILL

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MARK ORGILL was born at Beersham Derbyshire England on 24, May 1848. His parents Thomas Orgill, and Ann Cartright. They joined the church after their marriage, and Mark joined at the age ten, 30 of May 1858, so his life was spent in the church, as a boy. He made himself generally useful and helpful to the cause, by announcing on the streets the time and place of holding meetings and was often ridiculed by those who apposed the work.

His father operated a pottery, where Mark at the age of 8 years and another boy did the work usually done by a man.

His mother died while he was a boy his father remarried. He emigrated to America in 1868 coming across the plains by ox team arriving in Salt Lake City. He went to Mt. Pleasant, Sanpete County where he lived until 1877 when he moved to Wellington Juab Co. He was married to Rachel Isobell Smith June 20, 1875 they lived at Mt. Pleasant with his family for a while. Rachel had typhoid fever while there, they moved to Mills Juab Co. in 1877 where they lived until 1886. Rachel went to Daniels creek Wasatch Co. for a visit. She thought they may improve their condition. So in 1886 they moved to Daniel Creek which was later called Daniel Ward. They had all their possessions in a wagon except a cow, which they kept behind the wagon. The cow became lame so they left her at Provo. Then later went and brought the cow to their home. They were living in her sister Julia and her husband, John P. Jordan's home Two families in one small home. Mark and Rachel had six children Mary Ann, Thomas Jackson, Joseph Alvin, Emma Jane, Elizabeth Maud, and Edith. I think her sister Julia died the next spring, Rachel cared for both families for a time, then they bought a log room, which had been built for a school house. They moved it onto a section of school land, where later Mark bought fifty acres of the land. There the family made their home. They were blessed with eight children after moving to Daniel. James William, Bessie Arabell, Minnie and Lily (twins). Lily died at birth. Phoebe Hannah, Ethel and Dora Lavett. Life was a struggle while they had lived at Wells. Mark hauled freight, where he suffered much exposure and contracted rheumatism. For 28 years he suffered every winter with it, some winters in bed most of the time, others not so much. He was water master for the Strawberry and Willow creek canal Co's for seventeen years. He was clerk of the school board for a number of years, Ward clerk until Daniels and Buysville Wards were joined. Sunday School teacher, ward teacher, public health officer. Always willing to help any place his service was needed.

He died 22 Sept 1905, he was ill for three weeks at his last three weeks at his last illness. Rachel Isobell Smith born at Provo 8 Oct. 1859 a daughter of Mary Owens and Jackson Osborne Smith. They lived at Midway some of the time, I don't know much about mother's girl life. She was married before she was sixteen. She died 3 Apr. 1939. Father had two brothers William and Charles, three sisters Mary Jones, Sarah Hart, Edith Pyper, Father had on half sister Emma Orgill, who married John Williams. A half brother, Edward Orgill died six weeks after father.